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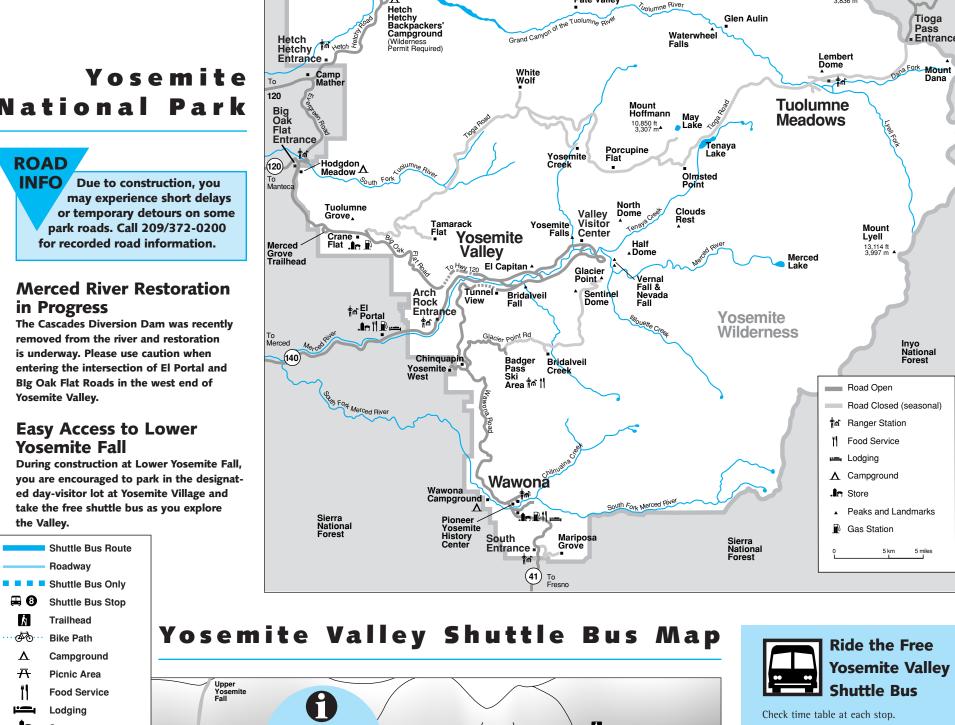
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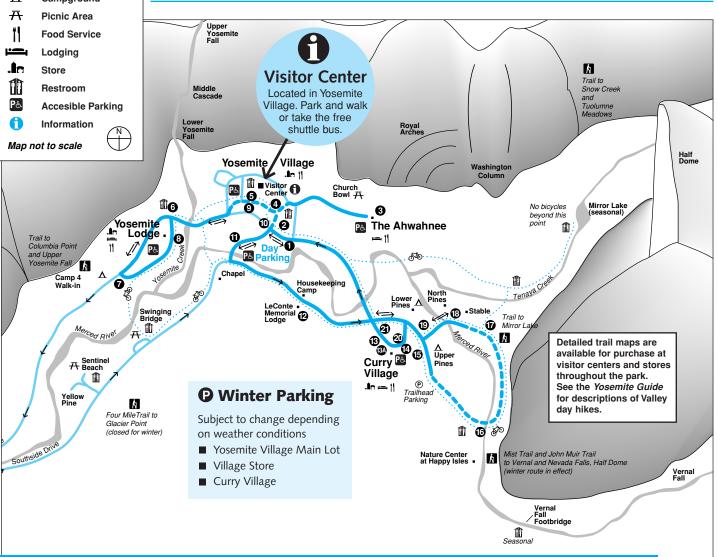
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March 2 -

April 5, 2004

# **National Park**





#### YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area are posted at or near Yosemite Valley shuttle bus stops 3,5,8, and 13A. Call 1-877-98-YARTS or visit YARTS online at www.yarts.com for more information.

Shuttle buses operate daily at 30-minute intervals except Friday and Saturday when intervals are 20 minutes. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order. 🕹

#### **SCHEDULE** 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m.

- 1 Yosemite Village/Day Parking
- 2 Yosemite Village
- 3 The Ahwahnee
- 4 Yosemite Village/Degnan's Complex
- 5 Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall
- 7 Camp 4/Upper Yosemite Fall Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- 11 Sentinel Bridge/Yosemite Chapel
- 12 Housekeeping Camp/ LeConte Memorial Lodge
- (13) Curry Ice Rink and Rental Center
- (3) Curry Village Registration Desk
- 14 Curry Village Parking
- 15 to 18 Service closed for season
- 19 Upper Pines Campground
- 20 Curry Village Parking
- 21 Curry Ice Rink and Rental Center

# Scheduled **Events**

**Programs** listed in color are especially for children and families.

NPS = National **Park** Service

**DNC = Delaware** Corporation at Yosemite **Yosemite Valley** 

AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery

= Programs offered for a fee



Indicates programs and facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

9:00am WEE WILD ONES

SUNDAY

(except April 14) 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under. The Ahwahnee Great Lounge fireplace (DNC) &

2:00pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People 1-11/2 hrs. Examine the lives and lifestyles of the Ahwahneechee, a culture that still survives today more than 150 years after Euro-American settlement in Yosemite Valley. Meet in front of Yosemite Museum

7:30pm Film—Ansel Adams

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (AAG) &

8:30am Photography Walk

MONDAY

2 hrs. Sign up/meet at the Ahwahnee front desk (DNC)

7:30pm **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC) &

9:00am Photography Walk

TUESDAY

2+ hrs. Limited space, advance sign up required. Meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery, weather and availability of photographer permitting (AAG)

12:00pm Yosemite Forum

(March 9 only) Declining Amphibians at Yosemite: The Role of Contaminants and Disease 1 hr. Interactive lecture with Gary Fellers US Geological Survey Visitor Center West Auditorium (NPS) も

7:30pm **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge, check local postings for venue (DNC/NPS) &

10:30am Ranger Snowshoe Walk\*

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Yosemite Valley View

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## YOSEMITE **OUTDOOR ADVENTURES**

**Yosemite Association Special Programs** 

**Dewey Point by Snowshoe** MARCH 5 9:00 a.m. 6 hours

Snowshoe Explorations with a Naturalist MARCH 6 & MARCH 28 9:00 a.m. 6 hours

**An Evening of Storytelling for All Ages** MARCH 27 7:00 p.m. 2 hours

**Discovering Spring Wildflowers at Hite Cove** MARCH 28 & APRIL 4 9:00 a.m. 6 hours

> Yosemite Waterfalls Grand Tour APRIL 3 9:00 a.m. 6 hours

> Call The Yosemite Association at 209/379-2321 for details, or visit www.yosemite.org, or check at the Visitor Center

# Our stories tell us WHO WE ARE

**Stores of Family and Friends** with renowned storyteller, Donald Davis

MARCH 11 7:30 P.M.

Not recommended for young children Take shuttle to stop #5 or #9

**West Auditorium** located behind Valley Visitor Center (under construction)

# Yosemite Valley

#### **Visitor Center Temporarily** Relocated

While the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center is undergoing renovation this winter, park rangers and the Yosemite Association bookstore will be located between The **Ansel Adams Gallery and Valley Post** Office in Yosemite Village (shuttle stops #5 and #9).

#### **Valley Visitor Center**

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Information, maps, books, and exhibits. Bear canister rental and selfregistration for wilderness permits. & 📾 TTY

#### FILM **Spirit of Yosemite**

This inspiring state-of-the-art visitor orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes from Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday noon to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's West Auditorium Theater. On March 9, the film will not be shown from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Closed captioning available. & CC

#### **Yosemite Museum**

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. &

#### **FEATURES**

#### **Indian Cultural Exhibit**

Open 9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.

#### Yosemite Museum Store **Beginning March 26**

Open 9:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Offering traditional American Indian arts and crafts and books on related subjects.

## Yosemite Renaissance Art Exhibit Through May 2

For nearly two decades, Yosemite Renaissance (a nonprofit organization supporting arts in Yosemite) has encouraged contemporary artistic interpretations of the landscape, environment, wildlife, and people of Yosemite or the Sierra Nevada. All fine art media, including photography, are eligible for its annual competition. This year's prizewinning artwork will be on view at the Yosemite Museum Gallery. Call (209) 966-4808 for more information.

#### The Indian Village of **Ahwahnee**

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. Occasionally, Indian Cultural Program staff provide demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. &

#### **Yosemite Cemetery**

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

#### The Ansel Adams Gallery

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The Gallery offers work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, handcrafts, books, gifts, photography supplies, and camera/tripod rentals are available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com. &

#### **GALLERY EXHIBITS** Through March 28

The winter/spring exhibit will feature the stunning color photography of renowned local photographer, Michael Frye, who has lived and worked in Yosemite for over 20 years. The exhibit will include photographs from Frye's new book, Yosemite Meditations, recently released by the Yosemite Association. Frye is also author of The Photographer's Guide to Yosemite, the essential location and technical handbook for photographing in Yosemite National Park.

#### March 30 - April 28

The illustrations of Daniel Sansouci, who has published nearly fifty children's books, will be on display. Sansouci has enjoyed a twenty-year career as an author and illustrator. His books cover a variety of subjects, however his wildlife books are his favorites. The exhibit will include selected work from that series.

# **Yosemite** Today

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Sign up in advance at any tour desk

Badger Pass Lodge (DNC) \$

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#### **Pioneer Yosemite History Center**

Visit the Pioneer Yosemite History Center and see old log cabins and buildings from Yosemite's early days. You can also learn about the growth and development of Yosemite and the national park idea in America. Informational signs are located in front of the buildings at the Pioneer Yosemite History Center.

Sign up in advance at any tour desk

Badger Pass Lodge (DNC) \$

# **Badger Pass**

Depending on weather conditions, Badger Pass may close for the season anytime between March 28 - April 11.

Badger Pass, California's oldest operating ski area, is the center of Yosemite ski and snowboarding activity during the winter. It is located at 7,200 feet in elevation and is a 1-hour drive from Yosemite Valley on the Glacier Point Road. There are 9 runs, 5 ski lifts, downhill and cross-country ski schools, ski rentals, and a day lodge. Lifts operate from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cross-country skiers will find groomed and ungroomed trails that originate at Badger Pass; tracks are groomed on the Glacier Point Road all the way to Glacier Point. Wilderness permits available at the Badger Pass A-frame.

Call 209/372-1000 for ski conditions.

## **Badger Pass Bus**

Ride the free bus to Badger Pass Ski Area. Road and weather conditions permitting, the bus leaves daily from Curry Village at 8:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m., Yosemite Village at 8:10 a.m. and 10:40 a.m., The Ahwahnee at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., and Yosemite Lodge at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Return buses leave Badger Pass at 2:30 p.m., 4:00 p.m., and 4:45 p.m. Several buses operate on busy days. Allow at least one hour for a one-way trip. Additional information is available at hotel front desks.

# Ranger Snowshoe Walk—Explore the Forest in Winter

10:30 a.m., Daily

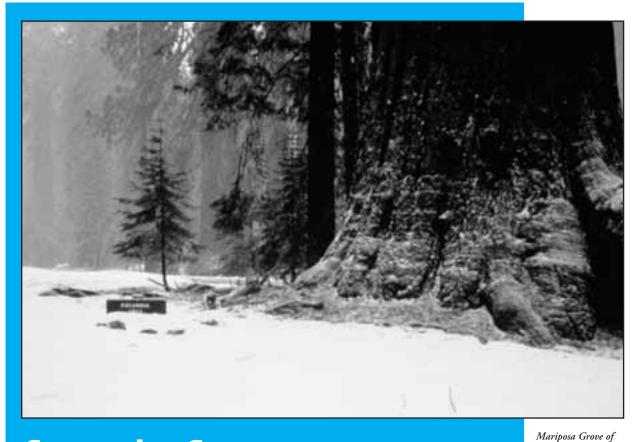
2 hrs. Badger Pass A-frame. Wear warm clothing and boots for this moderate/strenuous walk. Snowshoes provided, although not recommended for children under 10 yrs. \$3 maintenance fee.

#### Full Moon Snowshoe Walks March 2 through March 6, 6:30 p.m.

Join an interpreter for a 2-3 mile walk in a moonlit winter wonderland. Watch the moon rise over majestic firs at Badger Pass. No experience necessary; however, this program is not recommended for children under 10 as it is moderately strenuous. Visit a tour desk, Badger Pass Lodge, or call 209/372-1240 for required advance reservations. \$9.75 fee.

NOTE: Snowshoe walks will be canceled if the Badger Pass Road closes, or if weather conditions are too severe.

\* Depending on weather conditions, Badger Pass may close for the season anytime between March 28 - April 11.



Sign up in advance at any tour desk

Badger Pass Lodge (DNC) \$

## Sequoia Groves in Winter

Giant Sequoias

NPS Photo

#### **Mariposa Grove**

The Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, located at the southern-most end of Yosemite, is the largest stand of giant sequoias in the park (about 500 trees). Allow 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours driving time from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area; however, many giant sequoias can be seen from there. From the parking area, all trails in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias are uphill. The trailhead is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the Grizzly Giant provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations of these signs are available at the trailhead (German, French, Spanish, Japanese).

In winter, the access road to the Grove is closed due to snow. Once the access road is closed, add an extra hour or two for the 2-mile walk from the South Entrance of the park to the Grove.

#### **Merced Grove**

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 2-mile hike or ski into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow about 3 hours for the 4-mile round-trip hike or ski to this small group of sequoias (about 20 trees).

#### **Tuolumne Grove**

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road and the Tioga Road. The former route of the old Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile round-trip walk or ski is relatively easy, depending on conditions; however, it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return.

#### \$ ATM

#### **Yosemite Village**

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

#### **Yosemite Lodge**

Inside main registration area

#### **Curry Village**

Inside gift/grocery store

#### Wawona Inside Wawona Store

On Highway 140 at the Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market.

#### **Babysitting**

Limited babysitting available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge for additional information.

#### **Food & Beverage Service**

These hours of operation are approximate. Current hours of operation are posted at each front desk or facility.

#### **BADGER PASS\***

**Skiers Grill** 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### **Snowflake Room**

11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday - Sunday

#### **YOSEMITE VILLAGE** Degnan's Delicatessen

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **YOSEMITE LODGE**

**Coffee Corner** 

#### 6:30 a.m. to noon

**Food Court** 

Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dinner - 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A light menu is served between meal periods

#### Mountain Room Bar and Lounge

4:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. weekdays Noon to 10:30 p.m. weekends

**Emergency 911** 

Information

**Road and Weather** 

**Ski/Snow Conditions** 

**Yosemite Medical Clinic** 

Emergency care: 24 hours daily

**Drop-in and Urgent Care** 

**Scheduled Appointments** 

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley,

care for park employees, residents, and visitors.

nurse practitioner, and support staff on duty.

victims of domestic violence. 209/372-4637

Paramedic/Ambulance Service

24 hours daily

**Dental Services** 

Adjacent to Medical Clinic

For hours, call 209/372-4200

If no answer, call 209/372-4637

Services include a limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray,

physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for

Experienced nursing staff, emergency physicians,

the clinic provides routine and emergency medical

Daily 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to Noon

209/372-1000

Medical

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency:

**General Park Information** 

**Campground Reservations** 

800/436-7275 reservations.nps.gov

209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose

Dial 911, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

#### **Mountain Room Restaurant**

5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sunday - Thursday 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday

#### THE AHWAHNEE

#### **Dining Room**

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Mon - Sat Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mon - Sat Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Reservations and appropriate attire are

respectfully requested for dinner. 209/372-1489

#### The Ahwahnee Bar

11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Food Service - 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **CURRY VILLAGE**

#### **Pavilion**

Beginning March 26 -Breakfast Buffet - 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Dinner Buffet - 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **Coffee Corner**

7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Weekends Beginning March 27 - 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. daily

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Friday Noon to 9:00 p.m. Saturday Beginning March 26 -5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. weekdays, Noon to 9:00 p.m. weekends

#### **WAWONA HOTEL**

#### **Dining Room** Beginning April 1 -

Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Mon - Sat Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Mon - Sat Sunday Brunch - 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **Gas Station**

#### Wawona

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel and propane available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

**Crane Flat** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

#### El Portal

**General Park Information** 

9:00 a.m. to noon and 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

#### Gifts, Books, & Apparel

#### YOSEMITE VILLAGE

#### The Ansel Adams Gallery

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Yosemite Bookstore**

Inside Visitor Center 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Yosemite Museum Store**

Beginning March 26 -

9:30 a.m. to noon, 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **Habitat Yosemite**

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday - Sunday

**Sport Shop** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **YOSEMITE LODGE**

Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Nature Shop** 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### THE AHWAHNEE

**Gift Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Sweet Shop** 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **CURRY VILLAGE**

Mountain Shop 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### Gift/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **BADGER PASS\***

**Sports Shop** 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **WAWONA**

**Pioneer Gift Shop/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **Groceries**

#### Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Degnan's Delicatessen 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Curry Village Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wawona Grocery Store 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Crane Flat 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

El Portal Market 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### **Showers & Laundromat**

#### **SHOWERS**

Curry Village 24 hours

#### **LAUNDROMAT**

**Housekeeping Camp** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### Recycling

#### **Village Store Recycling Center**

Noon to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

#### **Post Offices**

#### Main Post Office - Yosemite Village

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. to noon Saturday

#### **Yosemite Lodge Post Office**

11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Monday - Thursday 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday

#### **Wawona Post Office**

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday

#### **El Portal Post Office**

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

#### Auto Service. Towing. and Repair (AAA)

#### **Village Garage**

8:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Towing 24 hours. Propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

#### **Service Organizations**

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, except March 3 DNC General Office Building (Executive conference Room) Yosemite Village

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous** 8:30 p.m. Sunday

7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday DNC General Office Building

(Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

#### **Narcotics Anonymous**

8:00 p.m. Saturday DNC General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

**Lions Club** Meets first and third Thursdays of each month

#### at noon, The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information

**Rotary International** Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and guests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-1401

## **Religious Services**

## **YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831

#### Yosemite Valley Chapel (year-round) **Worship Services**

9:15 a.m. Sunday

Children's Church and Nursery available

#### 7:00 p.m. Thursday **Mid-week Studies**

Two men's, women's, couple's and new believer's studies held during the week. Call Church for time and location Counseling provided, call for appointment

#### **ROMAN CATHOLIC**

Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729 **Mass in Yosemite Valley** 

#### Visitor Center West Auditorium 10:00 a.m. Sunday

**CHURCH OF CHRIST** Ron Skelton 209/379-2307 El Portal Chapel

#### Worship Service

9:00 a.m. Sunday

#### **CROSSWAY CHURCH**

(Christian Protestant) Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428

#### **Worship Service** 7:00 p.m. Sunday, Yosemite Chapel

Men's Bible Study

#### 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Women's Bible Study Call for time and location

**EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH** 

#### Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255

El Portal Chapel

#### **Worship Service**

7:30 p.m. First and third Saturday 10:30 a.m. Second, fourth, and fifth Sunday

#### **WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP** Pastor David Adamcik 209/966-3039

**Wawona Community Center Worship Service** 9:00 a.m. Sunday

#### Women's Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Wednesday

**& Services For Disabled** The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/pphtml/accessibility.html TTYs are available inside the Valley Visitor Center, The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Lodge, and outside the

#### Wheelchair rental available at Yosemite Medical Clinic, 209/372-4637.

Curry Village front desk.

**Accommodations** For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848 (www.yosemitepark.com)

For availability on day of arrival, check at any

#### front desk. **Bear Canister Rental**

Available for \$5 per trip at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, Crane Flat Store, Wawona Grocery Store, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park. Drop bins are available for after-hour returns, including the Yosemite Valley trailhead parking area, near Happy Isles.

#### **Wilderness Permits**

All wilderness centers are closed for the season. Anyone going overnight into Yosemite's backcountry must have a wilderness permit. You can self-register at one of the following locations: Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, Hill's Studio porch (near Wawona Hotel), Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, Big Oak Flat Information Station, Tuolumne Meadows Ski Hut or Badger Pass A-frame building. All overnight trips leaving from Badger Pass must obtain a wilderness permit from the Badger Pass A-frame building.

Tioga Road is closed to all overnight parking. Bears can remain active throughout the winter. Visitors heading into Yosemite's wilderness areas

are highly encouraged to use bear resistant food canisters. For information on making reservations for summer, check the Yosemite Guide or online at

#### Recreation

Conditions permitting.

#### YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE

Yosemite Mountaineering School and Guide Service offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backpacking, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite Valley and

#### the high country. **Badger Pass\***

Located in Cross Country Ski Center 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 209/372-8444

#### 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 209/372-1000 for conditions and information.

**BADGER PASS SKI AREA\*** 

**ICE SKATING RINK** Closed for season March 8 Located at Curry Village, shuttle stops #13 and #21

Downhill ski area, rental shop, cross-country cen-

ter, ski school, snow tubing, snow lift operation:

Monday - Friday 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Saturday - Sunday 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Noon - 2:30 p.m.

3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

#### **Tours**

209/372-8341

#### **Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk** 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday SIGHTSEEING TOURS

#### **Valley Floor Tour** This 26-mile, 2-hour tour departs at 10:00 a.m.

and 2:00 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge in Yosemite Valley. Conditions permitting.

#### www.nps.gov/yose/wilderness \* Depending on weather conditions, Badger Pass may close for the season anytime between March 28 - April 11.